## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Office of Fire and Aviation 3833 S. Development Avenue Boise, Idaho 83705-5354

December 23, 2002

In Reply Refer to: 9215 (FA-331) P

EMS Transmission 12/23/02 Information Bulletin No. OF &A 2003-016

To: State Directors

From: Director, Office of Fire and Aviation

Subject: National Interagency Wildland Firefighter Apprenticeship Program

The purpose of this bulletin is to announce a one-day training session for BLM personnel involved with the administration of the National Interagency Wildland Firefighter Apprenticeship Program (WFAP).

Participants: State Academy Coordinators and Supervisors of Apprentices (SOA's)

Date/Time: January 23, 2003 (0800-1700)

Place: McClellan Business Park (Nearest Airport is Sacramento)

USFS Wildland Fire Training and Conference Center

3237 Peacekeeper Way; Building 200

McClellan, CA 95652

The BLM Training Unit's current list of BLM State Academy Coordinators for the WFAP is as follows:

Alaska- None

Arizona- Wendell Peacock Secondary: Pam McAlpin or Frank Miller

California- Lois Cunha Colorado- Kim Bang Idaho- Karin Frost

Montana- Robert Bahr Secondary: Pat Mullaney New Mexico- John Selkirk Secondary: John Kwait

Nevada- Butch Hayes
OR/WA- Mike Spencer
Utah- Viola Hillman

Wyoming- John Glenn Secondary: Steve Eckert

The purpose of the training is to:

- 1. Review and explain the new interagency agreement and operating plan for the program.
  - 2. Review apprentice recruitment and selection process.
  - 3. Review administrative requirements for processing apprentices.
  - 4. Review the cadre/support staff recruitment and selection process.
  - 5. Identify support procedures and cost accounting.

State Academy Coordinators should contact Ted Mason, BLM Training Unit, to confirm their attendance and relay the number of SOA's that will also be attending.

Participants should make their own travel and lodging arrangements. Some nearby hotels include:

Lions Gate Hotel – (866) 866-7100 (located at McClellan Business Park) La Quinta Inn – (916) 348-0900 Holiday Inn – (916) 338-5800

If you have further questions on this subject, please contact Ted Mason, BLM Training Unit, at 208-387-5336.

Signed by:
Larry E. Hamilton
Director
Office of Fire and Aviation

Authenticated by: Pat Lewis Supervisory Mgmt. Asst. Office Services

## Distribution

State Fire Management Officers AD's Group Manager, Fire Operations Group Manager, Aviation Group Manager, Planning & Resources Group Manager, Support Services Anne Jeffery, WO-100 Jay Thietten, MIB 5631 Cindy Hogg, NARTC BC Library